Amendments to the Specification:

Please add the following new paragraph after the Title and before the first line of the paragraph ending on line 2 of page 1.

This application is a divisional of co-pending U.S. Application 09/314,844, filed May 19, 1999, which is a divisional of U.S. Application of U.S. Application 08/959,382, filed October 28, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,013,476, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/041,796, filed April 2,1997.

Please add the following new paragraph before the first sentence of the Description of the Invention starting at page 3, line 10.

The entire disclosures of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/314,844, filed May 19, 1999, U.S. Patent Application No. 08/959,382, filed October 28, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,013,476, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/041,796, filed April 2,1997 is expressly incorporated by reference herein.

Please replace Table 2, beginning at page 12, line 1, with the following rewritten Table 2:

Table 2[b]

1	MGTSPSSSTA LASCSRIARR ATA[[R]]TMIAGSL LLLGFLSTTT AQPEQKASNL
51	IGTYRHVDRA TGQVLTCDKC PAGTYVSEHC TNTSLRVCSS CPVGTFTRHE
101	NGIEKCHDCS QPCPWPMIEK LPCAALTDRE CTCPPGMFQS NATCAPHTVC
151	PVGWGVRKKG TETEDVRCKQ CARGTFSDVP SSVMKCKAYT DCLSQNLVVI
201	KPGTKETDNV CGTLPSFSSS TSPSPGTAIF PRPEHMETHE VPSSTYVPKG
251	MNSTESNSSA SVRPKVLSSI QEGTVPDNTS SARGKEDVNK TLPNLQVVNH
301	QQGPHHRHIL KLLPSMEATG GEKSSTPIKG PKRGHPRQNL HKHFDINEHL
351	PWMIVLFLLL VLVVIVVCSI RKSSRTLKKG PRQDPSAIVE KAGLKKSMTP
401	TQNREKWIYY CNGHGIDILK LVAAQVGSQW KDIYQFLCNA SEREVAAFSN
451	GYTADHERAY AALQHWTIRG PEASLAQLIS ALRQHRRNDV VEKIRGLMED
501	TTQLETDKLA LPMSPSPLSP SPIPSPNAKL ENSALLTVEP SPQDKNKGFF

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551  VDESEPLLRC DSTSSGSSAL SRNGSFITKE KKDTVLRQVR LDPCDLQPIF

601  DDMLHFLNPE ELRVIEEIPQ AEDKLDRLFE IIGVKSQEAS QTLLDSVYSH

651  LPDLL*
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Please add the following new table and paragraph after the paragraph ending on line 3 of page 25.

Table 3. Nucleotide and Amino Acid sequence of a TR7 fragment (SEQ ID NOS: 5 and 6, respectively.)

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1    GCGNCCGCGNNGNGNGCAAGGTGCTGAGCGCCCCTAGNGCCTCCCTTGCCGCCTCCCTCC   60

61   TCTGCCCGGCCGTAGCAGTGCACATGGGGTGTTGGAGGTAGATGGGCTCCCGGCCGGGAG   120

121  GCGGCGGTGGATGCGGCGCTGGGCAGAAGCAGCCGCCGATTCCAGCTGCCCCGCGCGCCC   180

181  CGGCCACCTTGCGAGTCCCCGGTTCAGCCATGGGGACCTCTCCGAGCAGCAGCACCGCCC   240

241  TCGGCCTCCTGCAACCGCATCGCCCGCCGAGCCACAGCCACGATGATCGCGGGCTCCCTT   300
                                                MetIleAlaGlySerLeu   6

301  CTCCTGCTTGGATTCCTTAGCACCACCACAGCTCAGCCAGAACAGAAGGCCTCGAATCTC   360
  7  LeuLeuLeuGlyPheLeuSerThrThrThrAlaGlnProGluGlnLysAlaSerAsnLeu   26

361  ATTGGCACATACCGCCATGTTGACCGTGCCACCGGCCAGGTGCTAACCTGTGACAAGTGT   420
 27  IleGlyThrTyrArgHisValAspArgAlaThrGlyGlnValLeuThrCysAspLysCys   46

421  CCAGCAGGAACCTATGTCTCTGAGCATTGTACCAACACAAGCCTGCGCGTCTGTCAGCAG   480
 47  ProAlaGlyThrTyrValSerGluHisCysThrAsnThrSerLeuArgValCysGlnGln   66

481  TGCCCTGTGGGGACCTTTACCAGGCATGAGAATGGCATAGAGAAATGCCATGACTGTAGT   540
 67  CysProValGlyThrPheThrArgHisGluAsnGlyIleGluLysCysHisAspCysSer   86

541  CAGCCATGCCCATGGCCAATGATTGAGAAATTACCTTGTGCCTCTGCC  588
 87  GlnProCysProTrpProMetIleGluLysLeuProCysAlaSerAla  102
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Example 2

An EST (EST#1502886; Project ID: HHFGD57) with sequence similarity to the human TNF receptor was discovered in a commercial EST database. Analysis of the 588 nucleotide sequence of the partial cDNA, indicated that it encoded an open reading frame for a novel member of the TNF receptor superfamily and was named TR7. The predicted partial protein

sequence is 102 amino acids long, with a hydrophobic amino-terminal leader sequence indicating that TR7 is expressed as a secreted or cell surface membrane bound protein. Comparison of the TR7 partial protein sequence with other TNF receptor family proteins indicates that it has at least one of the cysteine-rich repeats characteristic of the extracellular domains of this family.

Please delete the sequence information set forth on pages 26-30 of the specification and replace with the enclosed sequence listing.